

CENTRAL ROUTING SLIP

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TO	INITIALS	DATE	REMARKS		
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- Attached papers resulted in  
[redacted] scheduled

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for passes

- 21 Bright Areas Selected
- 2 (?) on Bucket 1 (Sb6)
- All " " 2

- Bucket 1 frames to  
Boston on Mon. A.M.  
8/31 (to <sup>have</sup> come into  
[redacted] from EX on 8/29)

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- Dep't. Agric. to go to  
Boston to review.

- Some "experiment" characteristics  
in this -- U-2s flying at Purdue  
U. covering 24 lower altitudes

- Exploitation arrangements (who's  
to read out & what kind of film dup) had  
not been made

Reston & told NRO & 213 to  
give Reston 1 DP of the  
frames to start.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

August 24, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR

SUBJECT: Photography of the Midwest and Southeast Corn Belt

The current corn crop is, as you no doubt know, threatened by a blight that is apparently spreading from the southeast corn belt into the mid-west corn belt. If this blight becomes widespread as much as 60% of the current crop could be lost.

In order to obtain factual information on the extent of this blight the Department of Agriculture has requested NASA to determine if the blighted crops could be identified by aerial photography. NASA in cooperation with Purdue University has established that the blighted crops can be identified with black and white photography using a red filter.

In view of the need and of this experimental data, it is requested that [redacted] be used to collect sample photography to determine the area affected by the blight. These data will be used in planning detailed aerial photography of all affected areas. In the event you approve this request, a map showing the desired coverage has been furnished [redacted]. It is estimated that 8 to 15 strips of photography 4 miles by 20 miles distributed across the corn belt as indicated on the referenced map will furnish the desired information.

Should access and weather permit the use of the color film at the end of the mission it would be desirable to have one or two strips taken with this film. The use of color, however, is not a requirement for this application [redacted]

Chairman, ARGO

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AND DECLASSIFICATION

21 August 1970

NOTE FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: [ ] Coverage of Corn Blight Areas of  
the Midwest

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1. [ ] OST, Chairman, ARGO Steering Committee, called to ask whether it would be possible to attempt to obtain coverage [ ] of several small areas in the Midwest to assist in a determination of the extent of corn blight. The request was made to him from the Department of Agriculture.

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2. In conversations with [ ], I authorized him to contact the NRO to determine whether the coverage requested would be feasible [ ] on a non-interference basis with intelligence collection. If so, the NRO was to be advised to attempt the related collection. The areas to be collected against were designated as points on a map which had been provided to [ ] by the Department of Agriculture.

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